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In re Application of:  
Wouter E. Roorda et al:  
For Serial No. 09/966,420

DECISION ON  
REQUEST FOR  
RECONSIDERATION

Filed: September 27, 2001  
For: **METHOD FOR COATING AN IMPLANTABLE DEVICE**

This is a decision on the REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION filed June 14, 2002 responding to the communication (FORM PTOL-456) mailed March 29, 2002.

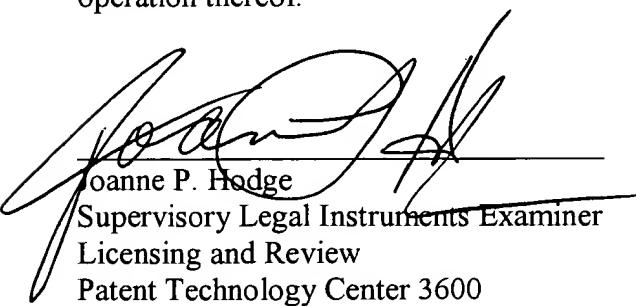
The request has been **DENIED** to the extent indicated below.

42 U.S.C. 2182 states in part "... useful in the production **or utilization of special nuclear material or atomic energy**". A review of the application file history reveals among other things the use of a radioactive isotope "<sup>32</sup>P" as disclosed in at least page 11 of the instant specification. Therefore under the directions from the Department of Energy (DOE) this application has been made available to them under 42 U.S.C. 2182 since the following subject matter relates to at least one of the following:

G. Materials, apparatus and methods concerning isotope and/or radioactive source technology including those utilizing (including responsive to) radioactive sources in:

- Life Sciences such as medicine (diagnostic and therapeutic), ecology, disease and pest control, animal husbandry, etc.
- Industrial processes such as food processing, sterilization, polymer production, etc.
- Investigations of the environment or the earth

H. Instruments employing a radioactive source and/or radioactivity detector in the operation thereof.

  
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